

SENATE BILL 518

By Henry

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 49,
relative to education of English language learners.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-3-356, is amended by adding
after the first sentence the following sentence:

Instruction of English language learners shall not be included in the Tennessee
BEP formula as an instructional positions component, but shall be included in the
formula as a classroom component.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 49, Chapter 3, Part 3, is amended by
adding the following as a new, appropriately designated section:

Section 49-3-3___. In fiscal year 2005-2006 and thereafter, there shall be
included in the Tennessee BEP an amount of money sufficient to fund one (1) full-time
English language learner instructional position for each twenty (20) students who are
English language learners and one (1) full-time translator for each two hundred (200)
students who are English language learners.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring
it.